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SUBJECT: MEXICAN DEVELOPMENTS RELATIVE TO CHILEAN COUP

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1. UPON RETURN TO MEXICO FROM ALGIERS SEPTEMBER 13, FONSECTARY RABASA TOLD AIRPORT PRESS THAT GOM WOULD APPLY "ESTRADA DOCTRINE" TO CHILE WHEREBY DECISION IS NOT MADE ON BASIS OF WHETHER OR NOT TO RECOGNIZE REGIME, BUT RATHER ON WHETHER OR NOT TO MAINTAIN EMBASSIES. HE PROCEEDED TO LOS PINOS TO CONFER WITH PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA WHO EARLIER IN DAY HAD STATED THAT ANNOUNCED DECISION ON RELATIONS WITH CHILE WOULD BE FORTHCOMING AT AN EARLY

TIME. IN HIS AIRPORT REMARKS, RABASA STATED THAT ALLENDE "WAS A GREAT STATESMAN, ONE OF THE GREAT CHAMPIONS OF SOCIAL DEMOCRACY WHO IN GOOD FAITH BELIEVED THAT THE DESTINY OF HIS COUNTRY SHOULD BE GUIDED ALONG THE PATHS FOR WHICH HE FOUGHT. NOT ONLY MEXICO BUT ALL OF LATIN AMERICA HAS LOST A GREAT SOCIAL LEADER AND MEXICO HAS LOST AN EXCELLENT FRIEND".

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2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, AEROMEXICO PLANE DISPATCHED

TO CHILE YESTERDAY (REFTEL) WAS GROUNDED OVERNIGHT IN LIMA, PRESUMABLY BECAUSE MEXICANS HAD NOT OBTAINED LANDING RIGHTS FOR SANTIAGO. (THERE HAS BEEN NO INDICATION THAT SAFE CONDUCT ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE IF AND WHEN PLANE DOES REACH CHILE. THERE ARE ALSO CONFLICTING REPORTS ON WHETHER OR NOT ALLENDE'S WIDOW WILL ACCEPT ASYLUM OFFERED BY PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA. IN SUPPOSEDLY FIRST AND EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW GRANTED BY MRS. ALLENDE, SHE TOLD EXCELSIOR REPORTER THAT SHE WAS GRATEFUL FOR OFFER BUT THAT SHE WOULD NOT ABANDON HER HOMELAND.

3. MEXICAN FONSECRETARIAT ISSUED TERSE COMMUNIQUE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 13 STATING THAT AMBASSADOR GONZALO MARTINEZ CORBALA HAD BEEN ORDERED TO RETURN TO MEXICO POSTHASTE. IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT MEXICAN CHANCERY HAS NOT ESTABLISHED DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS WITH EMBASSY IN SANTIAGO.

4. PLANS ARE GOING FORWARD FOR SYMPATHY MARCH SCHEDULE FOR 1700 SEPTEMBER 14.

SY SOURCES REPORT THAT GOM PLANS TO PATROL AND INFILTRATE DEMONSTRATORS AS DEEMED NECESSARY TO AVOID ANY UNTOWARD INCIDENTS.

5. DEPARTMENT PASS SANTIAGO AS DESIRED.
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